

# PRICES

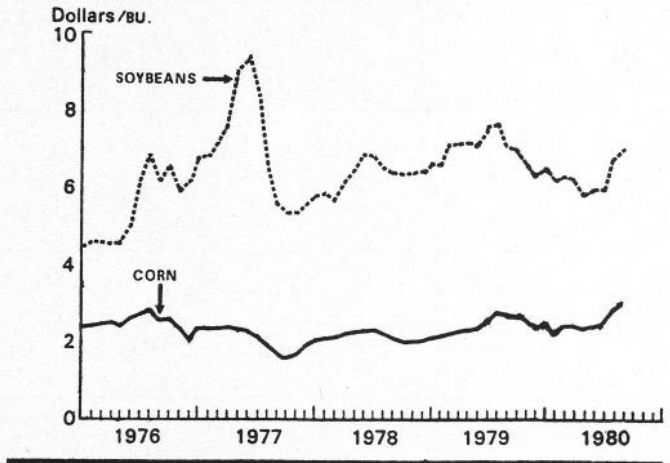
## 1979 Crop and Livestock Indexes

The Illinois Prices Received Index has been computed from 1956 to the present using new quantity weights each year. The Illinois Index relies on weights based on the average value and quantity of each commodity sold during a previous 5-year period.

The all farm products index of prices received by Illinois farmers in 1979 was 115% of the base period, 1973 through 1977, 5 points above the 1978 index. Prices received by farmers were fairly stable early in the year and peaked in July. A downward trend began in August but in December the index started to strengthen.

Crop prices were up considerably from 1978 but not as high as the 1975 to 1977 price levels. The crop index at 107 was up 8 points from the previous year. Prices strengthened the first half of the year and then decreased thru November. The prices received index for livestock at 130 was unchanged from last year. Livestock prices generally fluctuated downward until late in the year.

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, ILLINOIS



PRICE INDEXES: Index numbers of prices received by farmers, Illinois, by months, 1975-79 1/2

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Average
<u>ALL CROPS</u>													
1975	183	171	161	162	154	154	159	174	161	150	137	136	159
1976	117	119	119	118	126	141	149	135	140	125	118	131	128
1977	121	124	127	138	140	128	107	92	87	91	99	103	113
1978	94	92	98	102	106	107	102	97	96	97	98	103	99
1979	98	103	104	106	107	113	119	114	112	104	101	107	107

### LIVESTOCK AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS

1975	139	137	137	142	157	165	177	179	189	190	173	170	163
1976	154	151	144	150	152	153	148	139	136	123	121	131	142
1977	121	123	117	117	125	125	131	128	126	126	124	129	124
1978	116	123	125	125	132	135	128	129	132	140	134	138	130
1979	138	142	142	137	137	129	123	119	124	120	121	124	130

### ALL FARM PRODUCTS

1975	164	156	150	153	155	159	167	176	173	168	153	151	160
1976	132	132	129	131	136	146	149	137	138	124	119	131	134
1977	121	124	123	130	134	127	116	106	102	104	108	113	117
1978	102	103	108	110	115	117	111	108	109	112	111	115	110
1979	111	116	117	116	117	118	120	116	116	109	108	113	115

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PRICE INDEXES: Index number of prices received by farmers, Illinois, by months, 1975-79 1/

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Average
<u>FOOD GRAINS</u>													
1975	236	229	207	200	181	169	193	211	219	216	196	191	204
1976	146	157	149	140	138	143	139	125	122	111	103	108	132
1977	93	91	92	84	82	74	76	70	70	80	91	96	83
1978	82	86	94	99	98	100	101	102	104	110	116	114	101
1979	115	116	112	115	119	130	133	130	130	134	134	137	125
<u>FEED GRAINS AND HAY</u>													
1975	196	184	174	172	169	172	173	188	175	163	149	150	172
1976	129	132	133	131	140	146	150	138	138	122	106	120	132
1977	112	112	111	110	108	101	90	79	75	80	90	95	97
1978	88	89	91	95	98	99	93	87	85	85	87	92	91
1979	88	90	92	95	97	103	112	108	107	98	95	104	99
<u>SOYBEANS</u>													
1975	163	150	141	147	132	129	139	153	139	128	117	113	138
1976	99	100	99	100	108	135	148	133	143	129	133	145	123
1977	136	142	151	180	186	167	132	111	105	105	111	115	137
1978	102	97	107	112	118	119	113	110	109	110	111	115	110
1979	108	117	119	120	119	124	126	119	116	109	105	107	116
<u>MEAT ANIMALS</u>													
1975	132	129	130	137	155	165	179	179	188	188	166	161	159
1976	148	145	138	146	148	150	143	132	127	112	109	121	135
1977	112	114	109	109	119	119	126	122	118	118	115	121	117
1978	113	121	124	124	132	136	127	128	130	138	130	135	128
1979	138	143	143	138	138	129	122	116	112	116	117	121	128
<u>DAIRY PRODUCTS</u>													
1975	168	168	167	166	166	165	167	173	187	199	207	214	179
1976	193	183	186	179	178	174	178	183	183	185	187	184	183
1977	166	165	164	165	164	164	165	166	171	175	176	178	168
1978	134	133	133	133	131	131	131	137	142	149	153	155	139
1979	142	141	139	138	135	136	136	141	146	151	153	153	143
<u>POULTRY AND EGGS</u>													
1975	220	217	216	192	177	170	166	188	212	205	219	230	201
1976	189	185	167	163	170	163	173	183	195	196	202	216	184
1977	195	201	177	168	154	148	154	159	172	163	173	170	170
1978	133	144	138	138	133	127	133	140	156	156	161	172	144
1979	115	115	118	116	111	111	107	109	110	106	114	117	112

1/ The base period associated with each index year is a five-year moving average. 1975 base=1969 through 1973, 1976 base=1970 through 1974, 1977 base=1971 through 1975, 1978 base=1972 through 1976, 1979 base=1973 through 1977.

PRICE RATIOS: Ratio of prices received to prices paid and product-feed ratios, Illinois, by months, 1975-79

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Average
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PRICES RECEIVED-PRICES PAID RATIO 1/

1975	80	78	76	76	80	81	86	88	88	86	80	79	82
1976	77	76	74	76	78	81	80	75	75	69	67	73	75
1977	72	72	71	72	73	72	69	65	64	65	66	69	69
1978	70	70	71	72	72	75	71	70	71	73	72	74	78
1979	73	76	74	73	73	Discontinued							

HOG-CORN RATIO 2/

1975	12.4	13.1	13.9	14.5	16.6	17.0	19.5	18.3	21.1	22.6	21.1	20.4	17.5
1976	19.4	18.8	17.6	18.6	17.7	17.3	16.4	16.0	15.0	14.1	15.5	15.9	16.9
1977	15.8	16.3	15.8	15.3	17.4	19.2	23.0	24.9	25.3	23.3	19.8	20.1	19.7
1978	21.2	22.6	22.0	20.2	20.7	20.9	20.5	23.0	23.5	25.4	23.0	22.3	22.1
1979	23.6	23.6	21.6	19.0	18.2	16.1	14.0	14.2	14.6	14.0	15.2	14.7	17.4

EGG-FEED RATIO 3/

1975	6.4	6.5	6.9	5.8	5.7	5.5	5.3	5.9	6.2	5.8	6.5	7.0	6.1
1976	6.8	6.7	6.3	6.2	6.4	5.8	5.9	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.7	7.0	6.4
1977	6.7	7.0	6.3	6.0	5.3	5.2	5.9	7.2	6.6	6.3	6.6	6.2	6.2
1978	5.5	6.0	6.0	5.9	5.7	5.4	5.7	6.8	7.0	6.9	6.6	6.9	6.2
1979	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.0	6.4	6.5	5.6	5.9	5.5	5.4	5.7	5.9	6.1

MILK-FEED RATIO 4/

1975	1.25	1.26	1.30	1.28	1.29	1.26	1.28	1.30	1.48	1.63	1.78	1.83	1.39
1976	1.74	1.60	1.60	1.55	1.52	1.46	1.46	1.51	1.46	1.52	1.60	1.50	1.54
1977	1.46	1.45	1.40	1.38	1.38	1.41	1.49	1.61	1.70	1.70	1.66	1.67	1.52
1978	1.66	1.67	1.69	1.68	1.67	1.63	1.64	1.76	1.83	1.97	2.05	2.09	1.77
1979	1.46	1.44	1.48	1.43	1.42	1.37	1.29	1.38	1.48	1.46	1.45	1.45	1.68

1/ Illinois index of prices received for all commodities divided by U. S. index of prices paid including interest, taxes, and wages, (1910-14=100). 2/ Bushels of corn equal in value to 100 pounds of live hog. 3/ Pounds of poultry feed equal in value to one dozen eggs. 4/ Pounds of 16% mixed dairy feed equal in value to one pound whole milk.

FIELD CROP PRICES: Average price per bushel received by farmers, Illinois, by months, 1975-79

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
<u>Dollars</u>												
<u>CORN</u>												
1975	3.10	2.91	2.75	2.71	2.66	2.72	2.74	2.98	2.76	2.57	2.34	2.37
1976	2.48	2.54	2.56	2.51	2.69	2.81	2.88	2.64	2.65	2.34	2.03	2.29
1977	2.40	2.40	2.38	2.36	2.32	2.15	1.93	1.69	1.60	1.71	1.92	2.04
1978	2.06	2.08	2.13	2.23	2.30	2.32	2.18	2.05	1.99	2.00	2.03	2.16
1979	2.15	2.21	2.25	2.32	2.39	2.54	2.75	2.65	2.62	2.45	2.33	2.54
<u>SOYBEANS</u>												
1975	6.32	5.79	5.44	5.69	5.09	4.97	5.36	5.90	5.36	4.93	4.53	4.35
1976	4.57	4.61	4.55	4.60	4.96	6.20	6.79	6.13	6.59	5.93	6.12	6.68
1977	6.80	7.11	7.55	9.01	9.30	8.36	6.60	5.52	5.26	5.23	5.55	5.75
1978	5.84	5.58	6.14	6.42	6.79	6.80	6.46	6.30	6.24	6.29	6.39	6.57
1979	6.52	7.02	7.15	7.19	7.14	7.45	7.57	7.14	6.96	6.56	6.33	6.45
<u>WHEAT</u>												
1975	3.88	3.76	3.39	3.29	2.97	2.77	3.16	3.47	3.60	3.54	3.22	3.13
1976	3.30	3.54	3.38	3.16	3.13	3.24	3.15	2.82	2.76	2.52	2.32	2.44
1977	2.44	2.40	2.42	2.20	2.16	1.95	1.99	1.84	1.84	2.10	2.38	2.51
1978	2.39	2.51	2.73	2.88	2.86	2.92	2.95	2.98	3.04	3.22	3.39	3.31
1979	3.45	3.48	3.35	3.45	3.57	3.88	3.97	3.88	3.89	3.94	4.02	4.10
<u>OATS</u>												
1975	1.61	1.60	1.50	1.49	1.53	1.48	1.42	1.40	1.38	1.31	1.35	1.38
1976	1.40	1.44	1.43	1.42	1.44	1.57	1.58	1.41	1.42	1.39	1.39	1.47
1977	1.58	1.63	1.63	1.61	1.56	1.50	1.05	.96	1.03	1.04	1.10	1.15
1978	1.25	1.28	1.25	1.34	1.42	1.31	1.17	1.10	1.27	1.15	1.35	1.45
1979	1.36	1.51	1.50	1.38	1.46	1.41	1.40	1.30	1.40	1.40	1.44	1.55



HAY PRICES: Average price per ton received by farmers, Illinois, by months, 1975-79

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
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Dollars

ALFALFA, BALED

1975	50.00	51.50	52.00	51.50	51.50	46.50	42.50	47.00	50.00	50.00	49.50	50.00
1976	50.00	51.50	51.00	52.00	51.00	51.50	48.00	51.00	52.50	52.50	53.50	57.00
1977	59.50	62.00	67.00	61.50	56.00	57.00	56.00	56.00	57.00	57.50	57.50	59.50
1978	60.00	56.00	55.00	53.50	56.00	55.00	55.00	53.00	55.00	56.00	56.00	57.50
1979	59.00	61.00	62.00	59.50	55.00	56.00	56.00	57.00	59.00	60.00	63.00	65.00

OTHER HAY, BALED

1975	39.50	44.00	44.50	40.00	40.50	39.50	38.00	39.00	39.50	40.50	44.50	44.00
1976	44.00	44.50	42.00	43.50	42.00	44.50	44.00	45.00	45.50	44.00	46.00	47.50
1977	48.00	51.00	57.00	49.50	45.00	46.00	47.00	46.00	48.00	47.00	46.00	47.00
1978	48.00	48.00	46.00	44.50	44.50	44.50	47.00	46.00	47.00	48.00	46.50	47.50
1979	48.00	49.00	50.00	46.50	43.50	47.00	45.50	45.50	45.50	47.00	47.00	48.50

ALL HAY, BALED

1975	46.00	48.50	49.00	47.00	47.50	44.00	41.00	44.00	46.00	46.50	47.50	47.50
1976	47.50	49.00	47.50	49.00	47.50	49.00	46.50	48.50	50.00	49.50	50.50	53.50
1977	55.00	58.00	63.00	57.00	52.00	53.00	52.50	52.00	53.50	53.50	53.00	55.00
1978	55.50	53.00	51.50	50.00	51.50	51.00	52.00	50.50	52.00	53.00	52.50	53.50
1979	55.00	56.00	57.50	54.50	50.50	52.00	51.00	52.50	54.00	55.00	57.00	58.50

DISTRICT CROP PRICES: Season average price received by farmers, Illinois, by districts, crops of 1975-79

Crop year	Northwest	Northeast	West	Central	East	West Southwest	East Southeast	Southwest	Southeast	ILLINOIS
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Dollars

CORN FOR GRAIN, per bushel

1975	2.56	2.58	2.57	2.58	2.56	2.57	2.54	2.55	2.55	2.56
1976	2.14	2.16	2.14	2.16	2.14	2.14	2.12	2.12	2.12	2.14
1977	2.09	2.10	2.10	2.11	2.09	2.09	2.07	2.07	2.07	2.09
1978	2.28	2.29	2.29	2.31	2.32	2.29	2.32	2.31	2.32	2.30
1979	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.51	2.51	2.49	2.49	2.49	2.49	2.50

SOYBEANS FOR BEANS, per bushel

1975	5.08	5.12	5.12	5.13	5.12	5.12	5.09	5.09	5.09	5.11
1976	7.03	7.07	7.04	7.07	7.06	7.06	7.06	7.04	7.04	7.05
1977	5.99	6.04	6.01	6.05	6.04	6.04	5.96	5.96	5.97	6.01
1978	6.72	6.73	6.73	6.75	6.75	6.75	6.75	6.75	6.76	6.75
1979	6.39	6.39	6.40	6.42	6.41	6.41	6.40	6.39	6.39	6.40

WHEAT, per bushel

1975	3.12	3.13	3.15	3.15	3.14	3.14	3.12	3.13	3.13	3.13
1976	3.02	3.02	3.04	3.04	3.02	3.03	3.02	3.02	3.02	3.02
1977	2.05	2.07	2.08	2.08	2.08	2.04	2.06	2.03	2.04	2.05
1978	2.99	3.00	3.02	3.00	3.02	3.02	3.02	3.04	3.04	3.03
1979	4.00	4.01	4.02	4.02	4.00	4.01	4.00	3.98	4.00	4.00

OATS, per bushel

1975	1.40	1.42	1.44	1.43	1.44	1.46	1.45	1.45	1.43	1.42
1976	1.52	1.52	1.54	1.53	1.53	1.55	1.54	1.55	1.53	1.52
1977	1.08	1.09	1.10	1.11	1.15	1.20	1.18	1.20	1.20	1.10
1978	1.22	1.25	1.24	1.28	1.29	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.25
1979	1.37	1.39	1.42	1.44	1.46	1.49	1.49	1.51	1.50	1.40

ALL HAY, BALED, per ton

1975	47.60	47.80	44.80	46.10	44.00	43.60	40.90	42.50	39.90	45.00
1976	55.20	53.70	50.20	54.70	52.20	49.20	48.20	46.80	44.30	51.50
1977	56.50	54.50	53.00	55.00	55.50	51.00	49.50	50.00	46.00	53.00
1978	57.00	53.00	54.00	54.50	55.50	51.50	48.50	49.50	46.00	53.00
1979	58.00	54.50	55.50	55.00	56.50	53.00	50.00	50.50	47.50	54.50

LIVESTOCK: Average price per hundredweight received by farmers, Illinois, by months, 1975-'79

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Average
<u>Dollars</u>													
<u>BEEF CATTLE</u>													
1975	32.60	31.40	31.80	35.10	40.20	43.90	43.10	41.00	41.50	41.50	39.70	37.50	38.40
1976	37.30	35.40	34.30	38.30	38.50	38.40	34.90	34.40	34.30	33.80	34.20	35.40	35.80
1977	35.60	35.10	33.70	33.50	38.10	36.00	36.80	37.10	36.40	37.80	37.80	38.60	36.60
1978	38.60	41.30	44.10	47.60	51.20	53.20	51.00	48.00	50.30	51.80	50.70	52.70	48.40
1979	59.00	62.60	68.10	71.00	71.70	66.50	63.60	58.20	63.70	63.40	63.90	63.50	64.30
<u>STEERS AND HEIFERS</u>													
1975	35.40	33.40	33.60	37.00	42.30	46.30	45.20	43.30	44.00	44.20	42.30	40.20	40.80
1976	40.00	37.30	35.60	39.70	39.60	39.50	35.80	35.50	35.60	35.20	35.80	37.50	37.20
1977	37.50	36.60	34.90	36.80	39.40	37.20	38.00	38.40	37.80	39.50	39.70	40.70	38.10
1978	40.50	42.80	45.60	49.00	52.90	55.00	52.40	49.30	51.90	53.60	52.30	54.70	50.00
1979	60.20	64.30	70.50	73.30	73.70	68.30	65.00	59.60	66.00	66.00	67.00	66.70	66.40
<u>COWS</u>													
1975	17.00	17.90	18.20	19.50	21.70	22.10	21.60	19.90	21.30	21.50	20.90	19.70	20.00
1976	21.80	22.90	25.10	27.20	28.40	28.10	25.90	24.80	23.60	23.50	22.10	21.70	24.40
1977	22.70	23.00	24.70	25.90	26.60	24.70	25.20	25.30	24.80	25.10	23.60	24.40	24.70
1978	25.70	29.60	30.10	32.90	36.00	36.50	37.20	36.00	37.40	38.50	38.90	39.40	34.90
1979	45.00	46.70	49.30	52.70	53.80	49.20	50.50	46.40	47.60	46.00	45.00	44.50	47.80
<u>CALVES</u>													
1975	33.20	28.70	27.40	32.50	33.30	33.80	32.00	31.00	31.00	31.00	30.00	31.30	31.40
1976	32.40	32.40	35.70	39.00	38.40	39.00	35.20	33.70	33.90	34.00	34.80	35.00	35.30
1977	37.20	35.50	36.50	38.70	39.00	38.70	38.30	40.00	40.40	40.40	39.60	38.90	38.70
1978	39.10	42.90	47.30	52.40	56.50	56.50	54.50	57.60	59.50	63.40	62.50	64.70	54.70
1979	71.50	77.20	81.10	85.50	88.10	83.50	79.50	81.70	84.40	77.00	77.30	80.00	79.30
<u>SHEEP</u>													
1975	10.00	9.30	8.90	8.90	9.40	9.00	10.50	10.10	10.60	10.20	9.20	9.10	9.70
1976	9.70	10.00	11.00	12.60	13.90	13.80	13.00	12.80	13.30	11.50	9.50	10.60	11.70
1977	12.00	12.90	12.20	11.00	12.40	11.50	11.60	11.10	11.10	10.00	10.10	12.40	11.50
1978	12.20	13.50	14.00	13.00	14.20	14.00	13.50	14.00	15.00	16.00	15.50	16.50	14.30
1979	19.30	20.00	20.00	21.00	22.40	22.00	20.80	22.00	23.20	24.70	21.50	24.20	21.80
<u>LAMBS</u>													
1975	34.00	35.20	37.60	39.00	40.80	41.20	40.50	39.00	40.00	40.50	39.60	39.70	38.90
1976	42.80	41.10	42.80	47.70	52.10	45.00	43.00	38.20	36.10	37.70	36.20	39.80	41.30
1977	43.00	43.70	43.70	46.60	49.80	47.50	46.00	42.80	45.50	47.00	48.00	48.00	45.90
1978	52.50	55.50	58.50	61.10	68.20	56.80	49.60	49.60	52.00	56.00	55.50	56.50	56.00
1979	68.00	67.00	62.10	64.50	65.50	63.80	60.00	56.00	61.50	58.00	56.00	60.00	61.80

ALL HOGS

Year	Dec. 1/ 1974	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Average
1975	38.60	38.40	38.10	38.30	39.30	44.00	46.30	53.30	54.60	58.20	58.10	49.40	45.80
1976	48.40	48.00	47.70	45.10	46.60	47.50	48.50	47.30	42.20	39.80	33.10	31.40	43.00
1977	36.30	37.80	39.10	37.60	36.20	40.40	41.30	44.40	42.10	40.40	39.80	38.10	39.20
1978	41.10	43.60	47.10	46.80	45.00	47.50	48.60	44.60	47.10	46.70	50.80	46.70	46.40
1979	48.40	50.80	52.20	48.70	44.10	43.40	41.00	38.50	37.50	38.20	34.40	35.50	42.10

1/ December of previous year.

MILK AND MILK COW PRICES: Average price received by farmers, Illinois, by months, 1975-79

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Average
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Dollars

MILK, WHOLESALE, per cwt.

1975	7.85	7.85	7.80	7.75	7.75	7.70	7.80	8.10	8.75	9.30	9.70	10.00	8.30
1976	9.90	9.35	9.50	9.15	9.10	8.90	9.10	9.35	9.35	9.45	9.60	9.40	9.35
1977	9.35	9.30	9.20	9.30	9.25	9.25	9.30	9.35	9.60	9.85	9.90	10.00	9.45
1978	9.95	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.85	10.00	10.30	10.60	11.30	11.60	11.80	10.40
1979	11.90	11.90	11.80	11.70	11.50	11.30	11.40	11.70	12.20	12.30	12.70	12.70	11.90

MILK COWS, per head

1975	420	350	350	330	300	340	340	320	355	355	360	360	348
1976	360	360	365	380	385	405	400	395	370	335	390	405	383
1977	405	395	390	400	400	390	415	405	390	390	400	390	398
1978	405	420	445	455	485	510	530	550	580	620	660	700	530
1979	750	800	850	900	950	1,000	1,000	990	1,040	1,040	1,070	1,080	955

CHICKEN AND EGG PRICES: Average price received by farmers, Illinois, by months, 1975-79 <sup>1/</sup>

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Average
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Cents

CHICKENS, per pound

1975	7.0	6.5	6.5	6.0	5.5	6.0	6.0	6.5	6.5	7.5	8.0	8.5	6.7
1976	7.5	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.5	Discontinued							

EGGS, per dozen

1975	56.0	55.0	55.0	48.0	47.0	45.0	44.0	50.0	53.0	51.0	55.0	58.0	51.3
1976	56.0	55.0	52.0	51.0	53.0	51.0	54.0	57.0	58.0	58.0	60.0	64.0	55.2
1977	63.0	65.0	60.0	57.0	52.0	50.0	52.0	54.0	55.0	52.0	55.0	54.0	55.8
1978	48.0	52.0	53.0	53.0	51.0	49.0	51.0	54.0	56.0	56.0	58.0	62.0	53.0
1979	58.0	58.0	60.0	59.0	56.0	56.0	54.0	55.0	56.0	54.0	58.1	60.0	57.2

<sup>1/</sup>Annual average is for December previous year through November current year.



# PRICES PAID

Prices paid by farmers for major production items are collected from dealers and merchants at regularly recurring intervals by means of mailed inquiries and personal interviews. This information provides a historical series of prices paid for important production goods and services but perhaps more importantly provides cost data used in calculating the index of prices paid by farmers at the U.S. level. Also included in the index of prices paid are interest, taxes and wage rates. The index of prices received for all farm products sold, when divided by the index of prices paid gives a measure of what farm products will buy in terms of production needs such as fertilizer and machinery, and family living needs.

The table below shows average prices paid by Illinois farmers for selected feeds and motor supplies in 1977 thru

1979. Beginning in January 1977, the Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index (CPI) was used to measure farmers' costs for family living items. Therefore, data on family living costs are no longer collected by the Department of Agriculture.

State or regional prices paid for feed, seed, fuels, and fertilizer, and U.S. prices for all commodities are published currently in AGRICULTURAL PRICES, a monthly report of the Economics, Statistics, and Cooperatives Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. Regional prices for building materials, farm machinery, farm supplies, and pesticides, and State prices for motor supplies are first published in the Annual Summary in June of the following year. These publications are available upon request to the United States Department of Agriculture, Economics, Statistics, and Cooperatives Service, Washington, D.C. 20250.

PRICES PAID: Average prices paid by Illinois farmers, December 15, 1977-79 1/

Item and unit	1977	1978	1979
	<u>Dollars</u>		
	<u>FEED</u>		
Soybean meal, 44% protein, 100 lbs.	11.00	12.50	13.00
Laying feed "complete feed" per ton	173.00	180.00	205.00
Chick starter feed, per ton	191.00	205.00	220.00
Dairy feed, 16% protein, per ton	154.00	155.00	175.00
Hog feed, over 29% protein, 100 lbs.	12.50	14.10	14.50
Cattle feed, 30% protein and over, 100 lbs.	9.40	10.30	11.50
	<u>MOTOR SUPPLIES 2/</u>		
Gasoline, filling station, per gal.	.650	<u>3/</u> .700	<u>3/</u> 1.070
Diesel fuel, per gal.	.480	.500	.900
Motor oil, all-weather, (high detergent) per gal.	3.60	3.80	4.40
Grease, 35-lb. pail	16.50	19.00	24.50
Tires, auto, each			
Bias-belted, G78-15	44.50	44.50	51.00
Radial, 205-15 GR78-15	73.00	73.00	78.00
Tires, truck, 7.50 x 20, 10-ply, each	92.00	99.00	<u>4/</u> 150.00
Tires, tractor, rear, 13.6 x 28, 4-ply, each	150.00	145.00	<u>5/</u> 285.00
Storage batteries, CPR 220-310 AMPS	41.50	43.00	55.00
Anti-freeze, permanent, per gal.	4.30	4.10	4.85

1/ Averages at independent and chain stores. 2/ October 15. 3/ Unleaded.

4/ 9.00-20, 10-ply, 1979. 5/ 15.5-38, 6-ply, 1979.